

Pembroke
Reid's Ferry,
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PEMBROKE

Near Reids Ferry, Nansemond County, Virginia

Date of erection: Early eighteenth centuryPresent condition: Burned, rebuilt; present condition poorDescription:

Pembroke is one of the few Virginia houses possessing a U-shaped plan. It is of brick, laid in Flemish bond, a story and a half high with gable roofs. These latter are of two different pitches, as the wings are narrower than the main block. The steep pitch of the wing roofs is accentuated by the tall chimneys rising from the gables. The main block has a central door with two windows on either side. The door and the first flanking windows appear in the court. The side elevations have a door at the rear of the main block with two windows toward the front, and there are two windows in the wings. Two windows also show in the court and one on either side of each gable chimney in the end elevations of the wing. Several bricks carved with early dates are undependable, so that the date must be conjectural. The brickwork of the window openings has suffered severely from alterations, most of the existing openings being larger than originally.

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